



DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG CATHOLIC SCHOOLS REOPENING PLAN FRAMEWORK 2021-2022

updated August 2021

School Name: Corpus Christi Catholic School	School Location: Chambersburg, PA
Principal: Mrs. Loretta Witkowski	Date of Reopening: 23 Aug 2021
Type of Reopening: Total Reopening for all students and staff.	The Diocese will continually review this plan in light of CDC and Department of Health guidelines and in collaboration with school principals. (last update: July 19, 2021)
Health & Safety Team These individuals play a role in drafting the school plan and in responding to Covid-related matters during the school year.	
Individual	Stakeholder Group Represented
Mrs. Loretta Witkowski, Principal Mr. Paul Flohr, PPR Team Chairperson Rebecca Martin Nathaniel Spang Ellen Celestial Carrie Kerr Brian Kendall	School Community/Parent School/Parent Community/Parent Parent/Parish Parent Parent

<p>DIOCESAN GUIDELINES</p>	<p>LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN: Please include site-specific details and plans for communication to all stakeholders.</p>
<p>Acknowledgement Forms: All parents will be required to sign an updated “acknowledgements and notices” form before the start of the 2021-22 school year. These will be similar to the forms signed before the 2020-21 school year.</p>	<p>2021-22 Acknowledgment Forms will include compliance in daily symptom checks</p>
<p>Weekly Data Collection: Schools will continue to complete the weekly survey from the Office of Catholic Schools on Covid-related matters until further notice in order to ensure consistent data collection efforts. The re-opening committee will review the data weekly and will consider adjusted mitigation strategies, if necessary, for the following school week for each school.</p>	<p>Internal contact tracing will continue; all cases or potential contact will be reported weekly</p>
<p>Virtual Learning - Individual Request: Permission must be given for children to attend our Catholic schools virtually in the 2021-22 school year. We believe it is best to have our students in person in our schools, whenever possible. Parents may make an application to the re-opening committee (not to the building principal) for consideration for virtual education. The application includes completion of a Google Form and an email including the needed medical documentation. Only medically-documented reasons will be considered. When the re-opening committee receives the</p>	<p>Individual requests for virtual learning must be submitted to the diocesan re-opening committee (see link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScBHbKdJN9f5IS5fLQ1zEBTEzWIQkJPAfdEffx-hUuBO4j-yA/viewform?usp=sf_link)</p>

<p>application, the committee will consult with the building principal on the matter. The application, pertinent dates and email link can be found here.</p>	
<p>Virtual Learning - Response to Exposure: If quarantine is needed for a group of students, the school will strive to accommodate that group through a combination of virtual and traditional learning methods. Schools need to be prepared to offer virtual instruction in case an entire class needs to be quarantined.</p>	<p>Cohorts will be established; if contact tracing determines exposure and a cohort must quarantine virtual learning will be provided</p>
<p>Temperature & Symptom Checks: Temperature checks will not be done on a daily basis; rather, they will be reserved for screening potentially ill students or faculty and staff.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Parents will be asked to be vigilant in checking students for symptoms of illness and to keep students home when ill. ● As details of specific symptoms of concern are known, the school will advise parents of any symptoms that require students to remain at home. ● Faculty and staff are asked to do a daily self-check for symptoms. 	<p>Parents agree to daily symptom checks as outlined in the Acknowledgement Forms</p>
<p>Social Distancing: Students are expected to be three feet apart in the classroom, to the extent feasible.</p>	<p>Classrooms will be set up to meet the 3' recommendation when feasible</p>

<p>Masks: Masks will not be required in our schools for faculty, staff and students. They are optional for those who would prefer to wear them. Schools must ensure that that option is honored and respected.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will follow the rules of their school district re: masks when utilizing district transportation. • In order to respond to pertinent data or health situations in a particular school, further mitigation strategies, including masks, could be used for a designated period of time. 	<p>Masks are recommended for unvaccinated students, faculty, and staff; Masks are recommended for all students, faculty and staff from Nov. 1st through Apr. 1st; masks are required on buses for all students utilizing the local school district transportation</p>
<p>Vaccines: Vaccines will not be required for anyone.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those vaccinated will not be required to quarantine if exposed to Covid. 	<p>Vaccines are encouraged for all eligible students, faculty and staff members; vaccinated students, faculty and staff will not be required to quarantine due to exposure to COVID</p>
<p>Record of Vaccines: Principals will need to know the vaccination status of the people in the buildings in order to be aware of the overall health situation in the schools and to be able to make quarantine decisions, if needed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Faculty and staff in our schools will inform the principal about their vaccination status at the proper time and through the proper channels. 	<p>Principal will keep records of faculty and staff vaccinations; school nurse will track student vaccinations (when applicable); visitors will sign in verifying vaccination status (wearing masks if not vaccinated)</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Parents of students are encouraged to let principals know, in the manner the school establishes, if children have been vaccinated. ● In all cases, the school will take every reasonable precaution to safeguard the privacy and dignity of all students, faculty and staff regarding vaccination status. 	
<p>Quarantines: We will await more information from the state to see if contact tracing and quarantine are required at all for those students and faculty and staff who are exposed to a Covid-positive person. We will assume that we will operate as we did in 2020-21 unless told otherwise.</p> <p>Therefore, unvaccinated faculty, staff or students who are exposed to a Covid-positive person will need to quarantine based on time frames established by the CDC (see this link) and adopted by the State of Pennsylvania. Fully vaccinated faculty, staff and students will NOT need to quarantine, and no contact tracing is needed. Clearly, any student or faculty or staff member who tests positive for Covid must quarantine, with the length of the quarantine to be determined by the Board of Health.</p>	<p>Vaccinated students, staff and faculty will not be required to quarantine due to COVID exposure; unvaccinated students, staff and faculty will be required to quarantine according to CDC guidelines; all positive COVID cases (vaccinated or not) will be required to quarantine according to CDC guidelines</p>
<p>Parents, visitors and volunteers: Parents, volunteers and other visitors will be allowed in schools.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Those who are fully vaccinated will not be asked to wear masks. ● Signage will be posted prominently in the lobby/office indicating that parents, visitors and volunteers in our 	<p>Unvaccinated parents/visitors/volunteers must wear a mask; updated sign in procedures will be developed to ensure all are aware of the policy</p>

<p>school who are not fully vaccinated are asked to wear masks while in the school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When signing in, parents, visitors and volunteers will sign that they understand and will comply with the request to mask if they are not fully vaccinated. No one will be asked for proof of vaccination when signing in. 	
<p>Cleaning: Areas in schools for common use -- that is, used regularly by multiple groups within the school -- need to be cleaned regularly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Locker rooms, gyms, band and chorus areas, and any other spaces used by multiple school groups are to be cleaned in the middle of the week, ideally, but at least once a week. • Lunchroom surfaces need to be sanitized between lunch shifts. • Classroom desks and high-traffic areas should be cleaned daily at the end of the school day. 	<p>Routine cleaning of common areas as well as classrooms will take place; all classrooms will be sanitized weekly with the electrostatic sprayer</p> <p>Teachers will establish multiple times throughout the day to wipe down student desks and high traffic areas such as light switches and door handles</p> <p>Lunch tables will be cleaned and sanitized between cohorts</p>
<p>Ventilation: Schools will make every effort to provide as much ventilation as possible in each classroom, as we did in 2020-21. Leaving windows and doors open in an appropriate manner is the simplest approach.</p>	<p>A/C units will be replaced and upgraded air purifiers will be purchased for each classroom to facilitate better ventilation</p>
<p>Handwashing and hygiene: Students will be asked to wash/sanitize hands at sensible times, as always: at start and end of the school day, before and after</p>	<p>Hand sanitizing stations are available outside each classroom, teachers will have students use them regularly; signage is posted to remind students to wash hands regularly especially</p>

<p>lunch, when they have sneezed or used the restroom, and as needed. Water fountains may not be used. Schools may ask students to bring water bottles to school.</p>	<p>after using the restroom Water fountains have been upgraded to bottle filling stations; students will be asked to bring a refillable water bottle to school</p>
<p>Field trips: Reasonable field trips can be taken in the local area and that decision resides with the school. Proposed trips beyond the local area are to be brought to the Secretary for Education for discussion. However, the responsibility to vet the locations and situations encountered on these trips resides with the school. Schools will need to do homework and be sure of the situation students will encounter during the field trip: crowded areas, etc. -- and will prepare appropriately. High schools will be able to offer overnight retreats, as long as there is a thorough, written health and safety plan in place.</p>	<p>Field trips will be scheduled according to the diocesan guidelines</p>
<p>Social, emotional and spiritual care for students: We need to make sure, in each school, that we are carefully monitoring student learning and providing all possible resources to meet individual learning needs and to provide the best resources for social, emotional and spiritual growth for our students. As we did last year, we will take a team approach in our schools: school nurses, counselors, social workers (if available) and priests will bring powerful resources to benefit our students. That team will need close collaboration with parents and with teachers, who know the needs of their students well.</p>	<p>School nurse and IU counselor will be available as needed for student and staff support</p>
<p>Groupings: cohorts, assemblies, Mass, small group work</p>	<p>Initial cohorts will be established based on level - 1) PK - 1st Grade</p>

<p>While we will not start the year with the strict cohorting system we used last year, each school is asked to plan the daily interaction of student groups. Each school will determine the range of those groups. In the end, if there is a potential exposure to Covid, we need to know how to proceed. As an example: a school may decide that one group will be grades K-2, as they need to eat lunch at the same time.</p> <p>Schools may have small groups work together within the classroom. Maintain the three-foot distance, to the extent feasible.</p>	<p>2) 2nd Grade - 4th Grade 3) Middle School (5th Grade - 8th Grade)</p>
<p>Groupings - Cafeteria: The cafeteria may be used. To the extent feasible, students should be three feet apart in the cafeteria. Commonly-used surfaces in the cafeteria must be cleaned between lunch shifts. A clean and simple approach for the school is to make the groups mentioned above the same as the lunch groups that share the cafeteria.</p>	<p>Cafeteria facilities will be used by one cohort at a time</p>
<p>Groupings - Assemblies: Schools may have assemblies, as needed. As assemblies will bring together more than one school group, schools are encouraged to start with a small number of assemblies in the first quarter of the school year, until we see the overall impact.</p>	<p>Assemblies will be limited; if cohorts are combined masks will be required</p>
<p>Groupings - Mass: School Masses will continue, as per Diocese of Harrisburg guidelines for Mass.</p>	<p>Mass attendance will be in-person for one cohort and via zoom for the other two cohorts on a rotating basis</p>